## IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA GREENVILLE DIVISION

A.Z.A, a minor by his next friend and parent Akeshia M. Foggie,	) C/A No. 6:22-cv-02639-DCC-KFM ) ORDER
Plaintiff,	
VS.	
Thornwell Charter School, Charter Institute at Erksine, Inc.	
Defendants.	) )

This is a civil action filed *pro se* on behalf of a minor. Pursuant to the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(b), and Local Civil Rule 73.02(B)(2) (D.S.C.), pretrial proceedings in this action have been referred to the assigned United States Magistrate Judge.

## TO THE PLAINTIFF:

The plaintiff's complaint, liberally construed, alleges several causes of action on behalf of a minor child, A.Z.A., but does not assert any claims on behalf of the parent Akeshia M. Foggie (see doc. 1). As a parent, Akeshia M. Foggie, cannot bring claims prose on behalf of A.Z.A. unless she is an attorney licensed to practice in South Carolina. See Myers v. Loudon Cnty. Pub. Sch., 418 F.3d 395, 400–01 (4th Cir. 2005) (noting that although an individual has the right to represent himself/herself by statute—28 U.S.C. § 1654—that right does not "create a coordinate right to litigate for others" as well as that "non-attorney parents generally may not litigate the claims of their minor children in federal court").

In light of the foregoing, under General Order *In Re: Procedures in Civil Actions Filed by Non-Prisoner Pro Se Litigants*, C/A No. 3:07-mc-5015-JFA (D.S.C. Sept. 18, 2007), the undersigned is giving the plaintiff *twenty-one (21) days* from the date this order is entered (plus three days for mail time) to:

1) Find counsel licensed in this Court to represent A.Z.A. Akeshia M. Foggie may contact the South Carolina Bar's Lawyer Referral Service for more information. That attorney must file a notice of appearance in this case with this court. If no attorney files a notice of appearance in this case by the above deadline, this case will be forwarded to the assigned United States District Judge with a recommendation that it be dismissed.

The plaintiff must place the civil action number listed above C/A No. 6:22-cv-02639-DCC-KFM) on any document provided to the Court pursuant to this Order. Any future filings in this case must be sent to the address below: (250 East North Street, Room 2300, Greenville, South Carolina 29601). All documents requiring the plaintiff's signature shall be signed with the plaintiff's full legal name written in the plaintiff's own

handwriting. *Pro se* litigants shall not use the "s/typed name" format used in the Electronic Case Filing System. In all future filings with this Court, the plaintiff is directed to use letter-sized (8½ inches by 11 inches) paper only, to write or type text on one side of a sheet of paper only, and not to write or type on both sides of any sheet of paper. The plaintiff is further instructed not to write to the edge of the paper, but to maintain one inch margins on the top, bottom, and sides of each paper submitted.

The plaintiff is a *pro* se litigant. The plaintiff's attention is directed to the following important notice:

You are ordered to always keep the Clerk of Court advised in writing (250 East North Street, Room 2300, Greenville, South Carolina 29601) if your address changes for any reason, so as to assure that orders or other matters that specify deadlines for you to meet will be received by you. If as a result of your failure to comply with this order, you fail to meet a deadline set by this Court, your case may be dismissed for violating this order. Therefore, if you have a change of address before this case is ended, you must comply with this order by immediately advising the Clerk of Court in writing of such change of address and providing the Court with the docket number of all pending cases you have filed with this Court. Your failure to do so will not be excused by the Court.

## TO THE CLERK OF COURT:

The Clerk of Court shall mail a copy of this order to the plaintiff.

The Clerk of Court shall not enter any change of address submitted by the plaintiff which directs that mail be sent to a person other than the plaintiff unless that person is an attorney admitted to practice before this Court who has entered a formal appearance.

The plaintiff's attention is directed to the important WARNING on the following page.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/ Kevin F. McDonald United States Magistrate Judge

August 23, 2022 Greenville, South Carolina

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION . . . . PLEASE READ CAREFULLY WARNING TO PRO SE PARTY OR NONPARTY FILERS

ALL DOCUMENTS THAT YOU FILE WITH THE COURT WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON THE INTERNET THROUGH PACER (PUBLIC ACCESS TO COURT ELECTRONIC RECORDS) AND THE COURT'S ELECTRONIC CASE FILING SYSTEM. CERTAIN PERSONAL IDENTIFYING INFORMATION SHOULD NOT BE INCLUDED IN, OR SHOULD BE REMOVED FROM, ALL DOCUMENTS <u>BEFORE</u> YOU SUBMIT THE DOCUMENTS TO THE COURT FOR FILING.

Rule 5.2 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure provides for privacy protection of electronic or paper filings made with the court. Rule 5.2 applies to <u>ALL</u> documents submitted for filing, including pleadings, exhibits to pleadings, discovery responses, and any other document submitted by any party or nonparty for filing. Unless otherwise ordered by the court, a party or nonparty filer should not put certain types of an individual's personal identifying information in documents submitted for filing to any United States District Court. If it is necessary to file a document that already contains personal identifying information, the personal identifying information should be "blacked out" or redacted prior to submitting the document to the Clerk of Court for filing. A person filing any document containing their own personal identifying information waives the protection of Rule 5.2(a) by filing the information without redaction and not under seal.

- 1. Personal information protected by Rule 5.2(a):
- (a) Social Security and Taxpayer identification numbers. If an individual's social security number or a taxpayer identification number must be included in a document, the filer may include only the last four digits of that number.
- **(b) Names of Minor Children.** If the involvement of a minor child must be mentioned, the filer may include only the initials of that child.
- (c) Dates of Birth. If an individual's date of birth must be included in a document, the filer may include only the year of birth.
- (d) Financial Account Numbers. If financial account numbers are relevant, the filer may include only the last four digits of these numbers.
- 2. Protection of other sensitive personal information such as driver's license numbers and alien registration numbers may be sought under Rule 5.2(d) (filings made under seal) and (e) (protective orders).